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## Another Split in Double-Header

Another double-header ball game Sunday afternoon on the Yeargain grounds drew an encouraging attendance of lovers of the national pastime. In the first contest the DeLassus team was matched against the local organization. Many erroneous reports gained circulation regarding this game, which indicated that DeLassus had some surprises in the way of talent. The persistency of such reports put the home team on their mettle, and it was for this reason that Forshee, acknowledged to be the strongest boxman that has played with Farmington the past season, was put to work against them.

But such reports proved to be camouflage, as the DeLassus lads proved to be outclassed. In view of the fact that erroneous reports caused the putting in of the strongest pitcher, it would appear to have been the proper thing to replace him after the first inning, after the DeLassus boys failed to display any artillery. But for some reason such preparation for the harder game was never made. While the result was not a "tragedy", it was more or less of a slaughter.

Before the game with the Arcadia Valley team began, considerable time was wasted, apparently without adequate reason. While the visitors were warming up it became apparent that the home boys would be kept busy, and it was here they soon realized that they were in sore need of Forshee's puzzling delivery, as the visitors experienced no difficulty in finding Clawson, and he was really batted out of the box some time before the local management appeared to realize that fact. Unfortunately, a controversy arose over a decision, and considerable more daylight was "burned" before play was resumed. In the ninth inning it became apparent that some of that wasted daylight would be very essential in finishing the game, as the shades of night draw very quickly at this season of the year.

At the end of the seventh inning it was decided to "call it a day", owing to the darkness, with the score 10 to 6 in favor of Arcadia Valley. But in the brief period Forshee operated in this game a tightening of the lines was noticeable throughout the local line-up, which came with added confidence in the boxman's ability to deliver, and had daylight lasted awhile longer there is good reason to believe Farmington would have overcome the visitors' lead. But, while that is a very good alibi, it has no bearing on the actual result of the game.

### DESOTO HIGH SCHOOL STIRS ST. FRANCOIS CO.

Some twenty-eight members of the Senior class of DeSoto High School, chaperoned by their Sociology teacher, Miss Medora McMullin, and Mrs. E. Lorenz, one of the mothers, and several lower classmen, swooped down on St. Francois county last Wednesday morning and spent the day on a tour of inspection. Their special study for the day was State Hospital No. 4 and there they found the richest field for observation. They were conducted through the different departments of that wonderfully conducted institution, and were doubtless well repaid for their trip.

After the Hospital trip the party gathered at the Farmington High School at the noon hour and were placed in the tender care of the Farmington High Senior class, a few willing teachers and conducted through the different departments of that institution. While on the latter tour of inspection they failed to find so many abnormal subjects of interest as they found at the State Hospital, but they did find many "interesting" teachers and pupils that were, apparently, normal. The Farmington High pupils were simply delighted to have the opportunity to meet and associate with their fellow Seniors of our neighboring county, even if it were for a brief period. In the tour about the High School they were conducted into the balcony of the study hall just about the assembly time at one o'clock. In the absence of Lehman Branning, the Head Cheer Leader, "Jimmy" Doss, one of his trusted lieutenants, quickly took in the situation, mounted the rostrum and lead a rousing cheer for DeSoto High School. The DeSoto Seniors, like all good seniors, were entirely equal to the occasion and responded with fifteen "Raahs" for Farmington that fairly shook the building. Farmington followed with a cheer for Miss McMullin, and one for seniors in general.

The DeSoto visitors were then conducted to the Presbyterian Home, where they were cordially received by the Home management and shown through that carefully conducted institution. On their way back to DeSoto they planned to visit Desloge High School where they were no doubt most cordially received and entertained. Miss Medora McMullin, the teacher of Sociology, who conducted the tour, is one of Jefferson county's most progressive teachers, and is always wide awake for modern methods of presenting her work.

The names of those in the class, in addition to Miss McMullin, teacher, and Mrs. E. Lorenz, chaperon, were: Evelyn Underwood, Nellie Lee Leeper, Catherine Lorenz, Ruby Acklin, Rhoda Reynolds, Marie Gasche, Hazel Ghering, Mary Oliver, Edith L. Mason, Annella Turner, Irene Williams, Mary Mallicoat, Faye Dietrich, Clyde Montgomery, Raymond Whaley, C. W. Temple, Edward Pies, Jefferson Hill, Waldo E. Dewey, Albert Sullivan, Floyd Dover, Arthur Freeman, Fred Thost, Alta Swab, Clara Fitch, Edna Boehm, Charles O'Rourke, Lloyd Belew. Other students, Adolph Rohlfing, Oran Wilson and Delmont Gashe.

## Farmington High Again Victorious

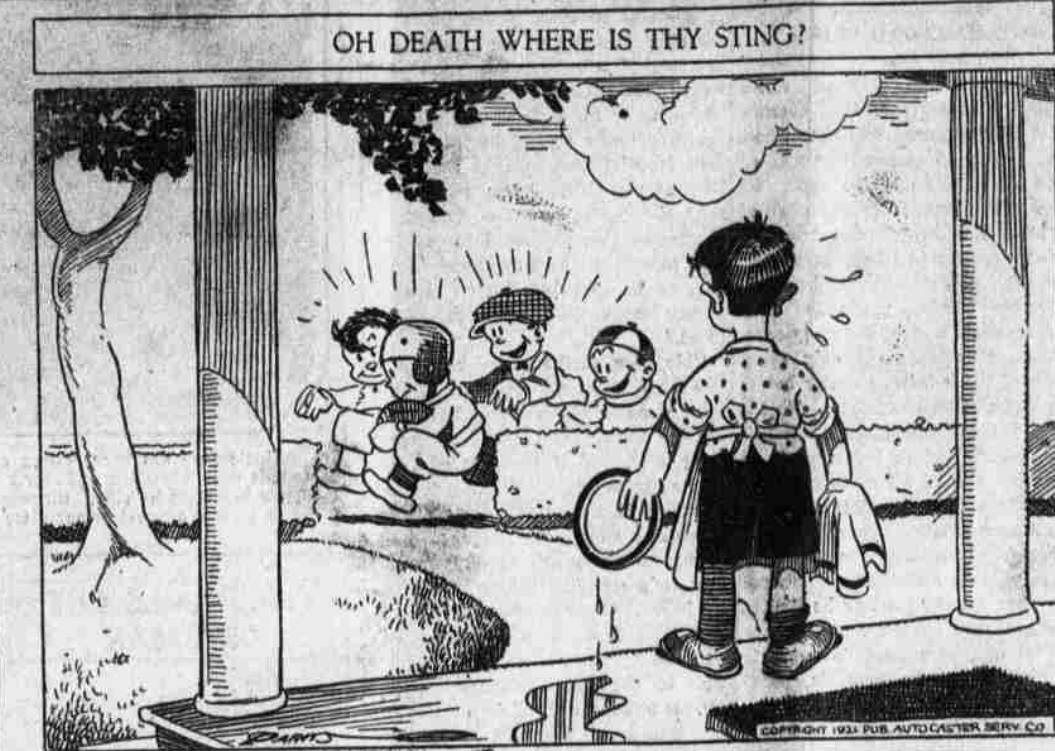
Farmington High School's "snappy" foot ball team played their fourth game of the season with the strong Flat River High School team on last Thursday, Oct. 13, and won by the surprising score of 28 to 0.

There is at all times a healthy rivalry between Farmington and Flat River High Schools in inter-school activities, and that rivalry seemed to have reached its zenith just preceding this foot ball game. Both teams had been primed to win, and both had its great throng of supporters in and out of school. Each high school had held an enthusiastic "pep" meeting the night before the game, where the merits of the team and players had been extolled, and fond hopes for a great victory had been predicted by selected orators and athletic enthusiasts.

The day was an ideal one for a game and every Farmingtonian who could leave his business and find transportation made his way to the Flat River athletic field. There they found an equal number of Flat River enthusiasts waiting confidently for the "battle" to begin. When the teams trotted out on the field and began warming up by snappy signal practice it was plainly visible that Flat River had a team that out-weighted the Farmington team by several pounds to the man. This only served to increase the confidence of the Flat River crowd and to stiffen the determination of the Farmington team and visitors.

Flat River won the toss and chose to defend the north goal, Farmington receiving the kick. Capt. McNally kicked off to Gibson on Farmington's twenty-yard line and Gibson returned the ball ten yards to the thirty yard line. Farmington here made two trials for no gain, and it looked to the spectators like the teams were mightily evenly matched. On the third down, Capt. Simms found an opening and made first down. Farmington then by end runs and line plunges forced the ball down the field to Flat River's five-yard line, where Flat River stiffened their defense and threatened to hold Farmington for downs. On the fourth try Simms fumbled the ball after gaining a bare three yards, but the ever alert Garner scooped it up and dashed over Flat River's goal for a touchdown, while the Farmington contingent went wild with enthusiasm. Simms kicked the goal, making the score 7 to 0 before the oval had ever been in the possession of Flat River following the kick-off.

On the next play Farmington kicked to McNally, who returned the ball fifteen yards. Two plays then netted Flat River four yards and Murphy lost three yards on the third play. McNally then attempted to kick but Detring, Farmington's smashing cen-



OH DEATH WHERE IS THY STING?

ter, blocked the kick and it went out of bounds barely over the line of scrimmage. It was Farmington's ball near the middle of the field. Flat River contested every foot of ground for the remainder of this period, but the quarter ended with ball in Farmington's possession on Flat River's twenty-four yard line. Flat River had not made first down during the quarter. In this quarter Farmington rushed the oval 176 yards, while Flat River had gained thirty-two yards in the same manner.

The second quarter resulted in a second score for Farmington, made on a line plunge by Simms. He kicked the goal making the score 14 to 0 in favor of Farmington. The first half ended without further scoring.

The third quarter resulted in no score and was a little more stubbornly fought by the Flat River huskies, but they were unable to advance the ball nearer than forty-one yards of Farmington's goal, and lost sufficient ground to leave the ball in Farmington's possession on the Flat River nine-yard line. Early in the fourth quarter Farmington carried the ball over on a line play by Simms, who again kicked goal. Score 21 to 0.

Farmington makes her fourth touchdown of the game in this quarter, after a series of terrific line plunges and fast end runs, culminating in a pretty run by Graves for eight yards and a touchdown. Simms kicks goal. Score 28 to 0 in favor of Farmington High School—"The High School with the College Spirit."

A careful analysis of the game clearly indicates that Farmington outplayed her adversary in every department of the game, both offensive and defensive. Possibly the most remarkable and most gratifying feature of the game was the strength of Farmington's line that had been specially coached to withstand the assaults of Flat River's heavy line. With the mighty Detring at center and the old veterans Garner and Simpson, supported by such fast and fearless plungers as Marbury, Sloan, Murphy and Gibson, the line not only held "like a stone wall" on defense, but smashed Flat River's offense and often stopped their plays before they were fairly started. To enumerate Farmington's stars would be to give the line-up,

and here it is for both teams:

Farmington	Pos.	Flat River
Murphy	left end	Matkin
Simpson	left tackle	Horton
Marbury	left guard	Burns
Detring	center	Bloom
Sloan	right guard	Thompson
Garner	right tackle	Karsch
Gibson	right end	Newcomb
McKinney	left half	Newcomb W.
Graves	right half	Murphy
Denman	full back	McAnally
Simms	quarter back	Dequire

W. P. Drumm, Missouri, Referee.  
M. E. Leming, Southeast Teachers College, Umpire.  
Joe Byncton, Head Lineman.  
The Farmington team has played four games, winning them all without having been scored on. Their total score is 108 to their opponents' 0. Coach King has succeeded in making a very fine scoring machine of the H. S. team.

On Friday, the 21st, the local boys will play the St. Vincent Academy of Perryville on the local grounds. This will be a hard game and furnish thrills a plenty. See it.

## Good Looking Foundation

The steel and concrete bridge now being put in to span Doe Run creek, 6 1-2 miles south of this city, is now beginning to assume shape, so that the quality of the work being done is discernable. The two huge abutments, which start from firm foundations several feet under ground to fifteen or twenty feet above the ground surface, are now completed, and they appear to be solid as the Rock of Gibraltar.

Thus the principal part of this work is now completed, and the putting up of the steel work will go rapidly forward. The span will be about a hundred feet in length, and after the finishing of the approaches the bridge will be ready for service, which will be a great convenience to the many users of that road, as this has always been a difficult and often dangerous crossing. The St. Louis Bridge & Supply Co. has the contract and L. W. Fitzpatrick is the competent man in charge of construction work.

Miss Ruby Sutton, Public Librarian, left Saturday for a week's visit with relatives and friends in St. Louis.

## "Ganged" by Unruly Mob

Otis Whereley, who headquarters here and travels in this territory for the Ely Walker Dry Goods Co., met with foul play, or gang play, while passing through Flat River last Saturday. As he was going down the grade approaching the Southern railroad crossing in his car, he suddenly found the street practically blockaded by a truck. He saw it would be impossible to stop his car on the grade in time to avoid crashing into the truck, so he quickly diverted his course in an effort to pass to the rear of the truck, which put him out of the road over a heavy grade. But he would probably have succeeded in his perilous passage had the truck remained stationary. Instead, The Times is informed, it backed into Whereley's car, causing it to turn over.

Mr. Whereley sustained some painful bruises, though Floyd Ruth, who was with him escaped unscathed. But this accident proved to be only the prelude to such episode. In the conversation that immediately followed between Whereley and the driver of the truck, as to where the responsibility rested for the smash-up, a party apparently unconcerned butted in and seemed to choose young Ruth for a fight, cursing him and charging him with being the worst speeder in the county, trying to make it appear that the accident was the result of speeding. The quality of his sporting blood was manifested by his size, being about twice the size of Floyd Ruth. In fact he was larger than Whereley, but the latter promptly intervened and talked for peace. He was rebuffed, however, by Butinsky, who let loose a volley of oaths at Whereley, who promptly flew into him and gave him a good trouncing, including the Teddy Bear hug.

As Butinsky was crying enough, one or two other "bad men" from the crowd that had promptly gathered darted in and began pummeling Whereley from the rear. He succeeded in getting up and darted after one of his assailants, only to be struck in the back of the head with a brickbat thrown by the fellow who had just cried "enough". But Whereley stood up under that crushing blow, and proved his gameness by announcing that he was unable to fight a mob, but if anyone present had an uncontrollable desire to fight, let him step out and he would be attended to. But no one responded to the invitation. About that time a constable pushed through the crowd with drawn revolver and arrested Whereley on the charge of fighting. Whereley stated it was the first time he had ever been arrested, but that he had been fighting some, and therefore he was guilty as charged. He promptly paid his fine. But whether or not any other fines were collected for such "gang play" as was pulled on a good citizen and splendid gentleman we are unable to say. It would seem, however, that Flat River should be sufficiently policed to protect unoffending strangers passing that way from such cold-blooded attacks.

## Splendid Piece of Highway

The three-and-a-half miles of highway beyond Libertyville, on the Fredericktown road, and abutting the Madison county line, is now completed, and is pronounced by good roads experts to be one of the finest pieces of roadway to be found south of St. Louis. This piece of model road was built by Ferman O'Dell, who secured the contract on a low bid, against several competitors, and the taxpayers of this county, as well as the contractor and the County Court, are all to be congratulated on the excellence of this work.

A number of heavy cuts and fills were necessary to get the proper grade, and the manner in which this work has been accomplished, including a splendid gravel surfacing, proves that it is possible to construct even loose surface roads that are a credit to any community. But the "know how" is a very important and indispensable part of such operation. That Contractor O'Dell has the "know how" is plainly demonstrated by that work. The Times joins with a host of other taxpayers in hoping that more such work will be secured by such able road builders as Contractor O'Dell has proven himself to be.

## Rolla Cozean Host to Foot Ball Team

In sincere appreciation of the unbroken series of victories scored by the Farmington High School foot ball team, Rolla Cozean, one of their ardent admirers, and a lover of clean athletics, tendered the boys a sumptuous banquet at the St. Francois Hotel on last Friday night.

Covers were laid for seventeen and the team, accompanied by Coach King, teachers Haldaman and Johns, and Branning, School Cheer Leader, attacked the "spread" with more than ordinary foot ball snap and determination. It was, indeed, a happy group that gathered about the banquet table with their most congenial and generous host. The memories of this and past season's victories were revived in enthusiastic conversation that flowed freely from end to end of the table. The hotel management had evidently caught the spirit of Farmington High School—"The High School with the College Spirit"—for the different courses were prepared and served in a most delicious and delightful manner.

The High School girls were determined to have some part in furnishing some joy for the evening. They had quietly secured a delightful bouquet of carnations and ferns for each guest at the banquet.

At the usual time the speaking began by the introduction of Coach King, who gave a most pleasing and inspiring talk. He was followed by the host, Rolla Cozean, who expressed very feelingly his appreciation of the work of the team, and announced his personal program of loyalty to the home team, whether winning or losing. He expressed immense pleasure that he is this year able to be loyal to a winning team. He explained that it was his desire to show his appreciation in a tangible way and to seize the opportunity to spend a social evening with the boys and learn to know them more intimately. His talk went straight to the hearts of the boys, and "Rolla" will ever be remembered as one of the best and most generous sportsmen of this vicinity. Every man on the team and each visitor faced the occasion and made a talk, expressing appreciation of Rolla's interest and generosity. The boys were unanimous in their statement that such loyalty by the people of the community is a most potent factor in turning out a winning team. A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Cozean and to the High School girls for the great favors extended.

This banquet by Rolla Cozean is without doubt the greatest single expression of community loyalty toward a school team that has ever been undertaken and carried out by a single individual. The school management and the team and coach will ever remember most pleasantly the associations of that evening.

## Game of Political "Football"

The manner in which the two State institutions of Southeast Missouri have been juggled around under the present administration is disgusting in the extreme, to say the least of it. And when it is considered that the only possible result that can be gained by such juggling is the rewarding of politicians, or the strengthening of that party, such juggling appears to be absolutely contemptible. There is absolutely no regard for the good and well-being of the poor unfortunate charges in State Hospital No. 4 when such political juggling can be carried on with that institution as the victim.

When a so-called non-partisan Board of Control will remove the head and control of State Hospital No. 4, notwithstanding the splendid and outstanding record he has made, and imports a stranger to take charge of that important place, in which work the new appointee is also a novice, it appears to The Times that such action indicates a woeful lack of managerial ability. It is also a direct and positive insult to every county and district medical society in Southeast Missouri. There is something wrong with a non-partisan Board of Control that tears asunder the well known efficient management that has characterized State Hospital No. 4.

Senator Chas. Belken, of Fredericktown, passed through town yesterday afternoon in his automobile, headed north. The Senator made a brief stop here to shake hands with many friends.

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